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CHRISON

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Mr. Kay:

Here are copies of the next five weeks of training. This is a somewhat tentative schedule because the survival instructor is from another shop and is presently not in the Washington area. Therefore, I cannot determine exactly what aspects he will cover in survival.

I understand that you would like to spend Thanksgiving with your family, therefore, you are given authority to depart when it is convenient on Wednesday 23 November 1955. It is desired that you return sometime Friday 25 November 1955 so that you and [] may prepare a report on the results of the exam. Unfortunately, I cannot authorize the entire weekend at this time.

[] will be leaving the project on Sunday, 27 November or Monday 28 November; however, I will come to the safe-house on either Monday or Tuesday 21 - 22 November 1955 to discuss future plans and schedules.

As you will note, exams are scheduled for Friday 25 November 1955. I think the type exam required in the morning is obvious. For the exams for the tradecraft aspects we would like to have the agents put in theoretical situations so that they must write down their solution to the problem. An example of such a portion of this test could be as follows:

"You have been operating in the target country for several months and have established a small net. By chance you learn that your principle agent has been seen in the company of a known MVD informant. What action would you take and why?"

The object of this exam is to determine how each agent thinks or how each agent would think in a tight spot. If you remember, Peter did not give much evidence of prior thought in the latter portion of the Fort Bragg exercise. It is suggested that several such situations be presented to Peter and Eric.

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